BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

ENFORCEMENT PRIORITY SYSTEM DISMISSAL REPORT

MUR: 7282

Respondents: Andrew Learned for Congress

and Brenda Stempson, as treasurer

(the "Committee")
Andrew Learned

Complaint Receipt Date: October 3, 2017 Response Date: November 13, 2017

Alleged Statutory Regulatory Violations: 52 U.S.C. §§ 30102(e); 30103(a), (b), (c)

11 C.F.R. §§ 101.1, 102.1, 102.2

The Complainant alleges that Andrew Learned used a fictitious address on his Statement of Candidacy, and that the Committee did the same on its Statement of Organization, and its 2017 July Quarterly Report. The candidate responds that the respondents made simple clerical errors on these filings, and the errors have been corrected.²

Based on its experience and expertise, the Commission has established an Enforcement Priority System using formal, pre-determined scoring criteria to allocate agency resources and assess whether particular matters warrant further administrative enforcement proceedings. These criteria include (1) the gravity of the alleged violation, taking into account both the type of activity and the amount in violation; (2) the apparent impact the alleged violation may have had on the electoral process; (3) the complexity of the legal issues raised in the matter; and (4) recent trends in potential violations and other developments in the law. This matter is rated as low priority for Commission action after application of these pre-established criteria. Given that low rating, and the

Learned is a 2018 candidate in Florida's 15th Congressional District. The Complaint also claims that Learned resides in, and is registered to vote in, Florida's 14th Congressional District. This claim is beyond the Commission's jurisdiction.

The Commission's records confirm that the candidate's address on all three forms has been amended.

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amendments to the relevant forms and reports, we recommend that the Commission dismiss the Complaint consistent with the Commission's prosecutorial discretion to determine the proper ordering of its priorities and use of agency resources.³ We also recommend that the Commission close the file as to all the Respondents and send the appropriate letters.

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³ Heckler v. Chaney, 470 U.S. 821, 831-32 (1985).